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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please enter the following Preliminary Amendment to the above-identified patent application.

In the claims

Please amend claims 1-5, 8-13 and 16 to read as follows. Please enter new claims 17-42, which read as follows. Claims that are new or are amended herein are indicated by an asterisk (*).

*1 (amended). A system for performing one or more relevant measurements at a target site in an animal body, the system comprising:

a probe that can be inserted into a body adjacent to or within a target site and that comprises at least [one] two of:

a first [probe mechanism] sensor that measures one or more elastic parameters associated with the target site drawn from a group consisting of a